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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CVIS, PDIP, MI, OS (CHIWAYA, HENRY F.)

SUBJECT: DATT'S POSITION IN MALAWI

REF: LILONGWE 0807

1. I SAW NGWIRI LATE MAY 29 AT HIS INVITATION TO DISCUSS HIS HEALTH (SEPTTEL) AND USED OCCASION TO RAISE THIS SUBJECT. NGWIRI SAID HIS TWO DEPUTIOES (MKANDAWIRE AND PHAKAMEA) HAD JUST BRIEFED HIM AND HE HAD ALSO BEEN IN TOUCH WITH KACHINGWE. HE SAID HIS OFFICE AND MIN EXTAFF PREPARING SEPARATE REPORTS TO PRESIDENT BANDA BASED ON MY AIDE MEMOIRE (REFTTEL) WHICH I SENT KACHINGWE. HE PRESUMES GENERAL MATAWERE WILL FILE SEPARATE REPORT. ALL REPORTS BEING SENT PRESIDENT BANDA TONIGHT WHO IS EXPECTED TO RECONSIDER MATTER 9 A.M. MAY 30.

2. NGWIRI SAID NORMAL CHANNEL FOR MY FIRST CONTACT WITH GOM ON THIS SUBJECT SHOULD HAVE BEEN MINEXTAFF, BUT I POINTED OUT THAT I HAD BEEN IN BLANTYRE, HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO SEE HIM BUT IN VIEW OF HIS ABSENCE SAW MKANDAWIRE, AND THAT I COULD NOT LOCATE KACHINGWE ANYWAY. HE AGREED I HAD ACTED PROPERLY AND THAT I

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WOULD BE HEARING FROM KACHINGWE OR MKANDAWIRE AFTER PRESIDENT BANDA CONSIDERS MATTER TOMORROW.

3. HARD TO TELL IF THERE IS ANY CAUSE FOR OPTIMISM BUT AT LEAST BANDA WILL HAVE CHANCE TO SERIOUSLY REVIEW CASE - WHICH, OBVIOUSLY, NOT CLOSED YET.

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